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FOREWORD

Each year the Institut de la statistique du Québec publishes this practical brochure, which collates basic statistical information about Québec society.

Québec Handy Numbers contains a wide range of demographic and economic data for Québec as a whole, as well as some illustrations to help clarify the reading. In addition, the last section, entitled "Regions at a Glance", provides an overview of the 17 administrative regions.

Therefore, the content of this brochure addresses everyone in search of information on Québec and its regions.

The Institut de la statistique du Québec was created on April 1, 1999. In this 10th year of its anniversary, the Institut provides a brief summary of a few notable changes that have occurred in Québec over the past decade.

A number of people from various Québec and Canadian government departments and agencies have participated in the works of the Institut over the last ten years. *Québec Handy Numbers* is a project that has brought together many collaborators. The Institut would like to thank them for a job well done.

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Symbols

e	Estimated data	..	Data not available
p	Preliminary data	...	Not applicable
r	Revised data	—	Negligible data
x	Confidential	–	Void or zero

Abbreviations

cm	Centimetre		
CTE	Complete time equivalent	t	Metric tonne
d	Day	toe	Tonne oil equivalent
G	In billions	t eq. CO_2	Tonne carbon dioxide equivalent
ha	Hectare		
inhab.	Inhabitant	wk	Week
k	In thousands	yr	Year
km	Kilometre	°C	Degree Celsius
km^2	Square kilometre	N.	Degree of latitude North
kWh	Kilowatt-hour	W.	Degree of longitude West
M	In millions	¢/l	Cent per litre
m^3	Cubic metre	$	Canadian dollars
mm	Millimetre	$ US	US dollars
n	Number	€	Euro
PPP	Purchasing power parity	%	Percent or percentage

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	Unit		Most recent data available
TERRITORY			
		1999	2009
Proportion of Québec's surface area dedicated to protected areas	%	2.73	8.12
		1999	2006
Greenhouse gas emissions	M t eq. CO_2	83.3	84.7
Per capita	t eq. CO_2	11.4	11.1
POPULATION			
		1999	2008
Total population	n	7,323,250	7,750,504[P]
		1999	2007
Births	n	73,599	84,200[P]
Immigrants	n	29,179	45,217[P]
Interprovincial out-migrants	n	31,689	35,454[P]
LIVING CONDITIONS			
		1999-2000	2007-2008
Real net health and social services expenditure per capita	$	1,874	3,029
		1998-1999	2006-2007
Children who attend day care	n	85,846	205,420
School and student population	n	1,812,496	1,790,946
		1999	2008
Minimum wage rate	$	6.90	8.50

	Unit	1999	Most recent data available 2007
Unemployment rate (population aged 15 and over)	%	9.3	7.2
Per capita personal income	$	23,851	32,474
Per capita consumer credit	$	4,324	8,830
Average household spending	$	47,238	57,308
On Internet services	$	51	243
On cellular services	$	70	303

THE ECONOMY AND FINANCE		1999	2007
Housing starts	n	25,742	48,553
Mortgage loans	M$	66,541	115,238
Capital spending	M$	35,345.8	56,355.0[p]
Energy consumed	k toe	38,879.7	41,042.9
Vehicles in circulation	n	4,580,657	5,539,013
Public transit passengers	M	483.4	537.1
Price of regular unleaded gasoline (Montréal)	c/l	63.4	106.3
Crude petroleum imports	M$	3,765.6	13,763.1
Imports from China	M$	2,034.4	6,538.6
Per capita GDP	$	28,786	38,527

	Unit	
AREA OF QUÉBEC[1]		
Total Area[2]	km²	1,667,441
Land area	km²	1,312,126
Water area	km²	355,315
Freshwater	km²	201,753
Saltwater[3]	km²	153,562
Public land (excluding marine environment)	%	92
Private land	%	8
OUTER LIMITS		
North	°N.	62°34'56"
South	°N.	44°59'29"
East	°W.	56°56'06"
West	°W.	79°45'55"
BORDERS (proportion of total perimeter)		
Land limits	%	50
Maritime limits	%	38
Fluvial limits	%	12
TERRITORIAL DIVISION (on December 31, 2008)		
Administrative regions	n	17
RCM and equivalent territories	n	104
Municipalities	n	1,292
Local municipalities	n	1,138
Amerindian territories	n	57
Unorganized territories	n	97
ST. LAWRENCE RIVER[4]		
Area of Montréal drainage basin (at Mercier Bridge)	km²	940,200
Area of Québec city drainage basin	km²	1,063,100
Area of Matane drainage basin	km²	1,274,800

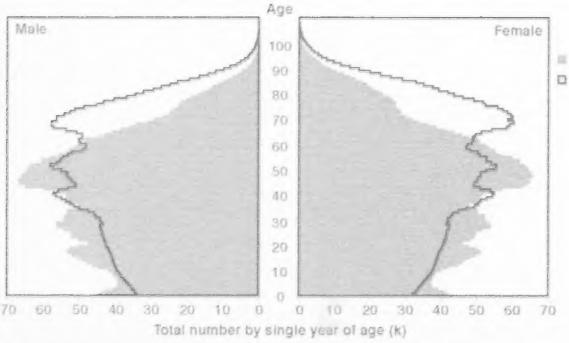
	Unit	
VEGETATION[5]		
Continental area according to the 1998 ecological classification[6]	km^2	1,514,100
Vegetation zone		
Low Arctic	km^2	236,000
Forest Tundra[7]	km^2	217,100
Taiga[7]	km^2	299,900
Forest	km^2	761,100
Boreal	km^2	551,400
Mixed	km^2	98,600
Deciduous	km^2	111,100

		Montréal	Québec	Sept-Îles	Kuujjuaq
TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION[8]					
Average yearly temperature	°C	6.2	4.0	0.8	–5.7
Average daily temperature in January	°C	–10.2	–12.8	–15.3	–24.3
Average daily temperature in July	°C	20.9	19.2	15.3	11.5
Frost-free days	n	212.2	189.5	163.2	115.1
Annual rainfall	mm	763.8	923.8	757.4	277.2
Annual snowfall	cm	217.5	315.9	412.0	257.1

ENVIRONMENT				
		2001	2008	2009
Proportion of Québec's surface area dedicated to protected areas[9]	%	2.91	6.96	8.12
		2001	2005	2006
Greenhouse gas emissions[10]	Mt eq. CO_2	81.5	86.1	84.7
Per capita	t eq. CO_2	11.0	11.4	11.1
		2000	2004	2006
Waste material[11]				
Generated	Mt	10.7	11.4	13.0
Per capita	t	1.46	1.51	1.69
Recycled	Mt	3.8	4.9	6.2
Per capita	t	0.51	0.65	0.81
Recycling rate (on total waste material)	%	35	43	48

	Unit	2001	2007	2008
TOTAL POPULATION[1]	k	7,396.3[r]	7,686.0[r]	7,750.5[p]
Men	k	3,647.7[r]	3,805.4[r]	3,838.1[p]
Women	k	3,748.7[r]	3,880.6[r]	3,912.5[p]
0-4 years	k	381.5[r]	386.6[r]	400.6[p]
	%	5.2	5.0	5.2
5-9 years	k	460.7[r]	388.7[r]	384.8[p]
	%	6.2	5.1	5.0
10-14 years	k	463.0[r]	462.3[r]	446.8[p]
	%	6.3	6.0	5.8
15-19 years	k	467.5[r]	491.8[r]	502.6[p]
	%	6.3	6.4	6.5
20-24 years	k	515.6[r]	489.6[r]	484.9[p]
	%	7.0	6.4	6.3
25-44 years	k	2,253.2[r]	2,154.2[r]	2,138.9[p]
	%	30.5	28.0	27.6
45-64 years	k	1,889.9[r]	2,216.2[r]	2,259.2[p]
	%	25.6	28.8	29.1
65-74 years	k	549.4[r]	590.5[r]	610.8[p]
	%	7.4	7.7	7.9
75 years and over	k	415.5[r]	506.1[r]	521.9[p]
	%	5.6	6.6	6.7

Pyramides of ages, Québec, 2008 and 2031



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	Unit	2001	2007	2008
AVERAGE AGE	yr	38.5	40.1	40.3
Men	yr	37.2	39.0	39.2
Women	yr	39.7	41.2	41.4

POPULATION MOVEMENTS[13]

		2001	2006	2007
Total Growth	n	44,508[r]	52,983[r]	59,312[p]
Natural growth	n	19,327	28,300[p]	28,100[p]
Births	n	73,699	82,100[p]	84,200[p]
Deaths	n	54,372	53,800[p]	56,100[p]
Net migration	n	23,127[r]	26,583[r]	25,998[p]
Immigrants	n	37,604[r]	44,689[r]	45,217[p]
Total emigrants	n	7,388[r]	6,278[r]	6,376[p]
Interprovincial in-migrants	n	21,720[r]	20,549[r]	22,611[p]
Interprovincial out-migrants	n	28,809[r]	32,377[r]	35,454[p]
Variation in the number of non-permanent residents	n	5,178[r]	631[r]	5,164[p]
Remainder	n	3,124[r]	2,531[r]	−50[p]
Fertility				
Total fertility rate		1.49	1.62[p]	1.65[p]
Average age of motherhood	yr	28.7	29.5[p]	29.6[p]
First child	yr	27.1	27.9[p]	28.0[p]
Proportion of births outside of marriage	%	58.5	61.3[p]	62.1[p]
Mortality				

		2000-2002	2005-2007
Life expectancy at birth			
Men	yr	76.3	78.3[p]
Women	yr	81.9	83.2[p]

		2001	2006	2007
Total deaths per 1,000 people	n	7.4	7.0[p]	7.3[p]
Infant deaths per 1,000 live births	n	4.7	5.0[p]	4.5[p]

		2001	2005	2006
Causes of death				
Tumors	%	32.3	32.5	34.0[p]
Circulatory system	%	30.3	27.0	26.8[p]
Respiratory system	%	7.8	9.4	8.3[p]
External causes[14]	%	6.3	6.5	..
Others	%	23.3	24.6	..

NUPTIALITY AND CONJUGAL STATUS

	Unit	2001	2005	2007
Marriages	n	21,961	22,244	22,156[p]
Divorces	n	17,094	15,423	..
		2001	2006	
Conjugal Status				
(population aged 15 and over)[15]	k	5,945.9	6,293.6	
Living with a spouse[16]	%	57.3	56.9	
Legally married (not separated)	%	40.3	37.5	
Common-law marriage	%	17.0	19.4	
Not living with a spouse	%	42.7	43.1	
Single (never married)	%	28.3	28.7	
Separated	%	1.9	1.7	
Divorced	%	6.3	6.6	
Widowed	%	6.2	6.0	

		2001	2007	2008
LANDED IMMIGRANTS[17]	n	37,537	45,201	45,264[p]
Continent and Region of Birth				
Africa	%	26.9	29.4	30.4[p]
North Africa	%	19.7	18.5	19.2[p]
Other regions	%	7.2	10.8	11.2[p]
America	%	15.8	22.2	22.7[p]
Central and South America	%	8.0	15.3	13.8[p]
Other regions	%	7.9	6.9	8.9[p]
Asia	%	35.1	27.2	28.1[p]
Middle-East, Hither and Central Asia	%	10.1	11.7	11.3[p]
Eastern Asia	%	13.8	6.4	7.2[p]
Other regions	%	11.3	9.1	9.6[p]
Europe	%	22.0	21.0	18.6[p]
North-Western and Northern Europe	%	10.5	9.8	10.1[p]
Eastern Europe	%	9.2	10.3	7.7[p]
Southern Europe	%	2.3	0.9	0.8[p]
Oceania and other countries	%	0.1	0.2	0.2[p]
Category				
Economic class[18]	%	58.3	62.0	65.0[p]
Family class	%	22.6	21.6	23.2[p]
Refugees	%	19.1	13.1	10.0[p]
Other immigrants[19]	%	0.0	3.2	1.8[p]

	Unit	2001	2006
NATIVE LANGUAGE[15]			
Québec Province			
French	%	80.9	79.0
English	%	7.8	7.7
Non-official language	%	10.0	11.9
More than one language	%	1.4	1.3
Montréal CMA			
French	%	67.3	64.9
English	%	12.1	11.9
Non-official language	%	18.5	21.2
More than one language	%	2.1	2.1

		2001	2006
RESIDENTIAL ENVIRONMENT[15]			
Urban	%	80.4	80.2
Rural	%	19.6	19.9

		2001	2006	2007
CENSUS METROPOLITAN AREAS[12]	k	4,921.6	5,133.5	5,174.6
Montréal	k	3,507.4	3,669.0	3,695.8
Québec	k	696.4	720.9	728.9
Gatineau[19]	k	263.0	284.4	287.7
Sherbrooke	k	157.0	165.1	166.5
Saguenay	k	157.8	151.6	151.8
Trois-Rivières	k	140.1	142.5	143.8

		2001	2006	2007
CITIES OF 100,000 OR MORE INHABITANTS[20]				
Montréal	k	1,617.7	1,637.7	1,636.4
Québec	k	485.7	498.0	500.7
Laval	k	349.9	376.5	381.7
Gatineau	k	231.3	249.1	251.3
Longueuil	k	230.3	233.6	233.0
Sherbrooke	k	141.7	149.2	149.8
Saguenay	k	150.0	142.8	142.7
Lévis	k	124.4	131.1	133.1
Trois-Rivières	k	124.8	127.4	128.2

	Unit	2001	2006	
FAMILIES[21]	n	2,019,555	2,121,610	
Two-parent	%	83.4	83.4	
No children	%	44.6	48.3	
With children	%	55.4	51.7	
1 child	%	40.5	41.2	
2 children	%	42.2	41.8	
3 or more children	%	17.4	17.0	
Lone-parent	%	16.6	16.6	
1 child	%	63.6	62.7	
2 children	%	27.9	27.9	
3 or more children	%	8.5	8.5	
Female lone parent	%	79.7	77.9	
Male lone parent	%	20.3	22.1	
Two-parent families with children[22]	%	100.0	100.0	
Intact	%	87.6	85.9	
Step	%	12.4	14.2	
Average number of people per family	n	2.9	2.9	
Average number of children per family	n	1.08	1.02	
		2001	2006	2007
Proportion of two-parent families with children under 6 whose both parents are employed[23]	%	64.0	69.0	71.4
Proportion of lone-parent families with children under 6 whose parent is employed[23]	%	59.9	66.0	66.2
		2000-2001	2005-2006	2006-2007
Children Who Attend Day Care[24]	n	142,840	201,502	205,420
Childcare centre (facility)	%	39.2	38.7	38.9
Childcare centre (in-home setting)	%	42.2	44.1	42.4
Day care	%	18.6	17.2	18.7

		2001	2006
HOUSEHOLDS[15]	n	2,978,110	3,189,345
According to type			
One-family	%	66.1	62.1
Multiple-family	%	0.8	3.6
Non-family	%	33.0	34.3

LIVING CONDITIONS

	Unit	2001	2006
According to size			
1 person	%	26.1	30.7
2 people	%	33.5	34.4
3 people	%	18.1	15.5
4 people	%	15.7	13.1
5 or more people	%	6.5	6.2
Average number of people per household	n	2.4	2.3

		2001	2006
HOUSING[15]			
Tenure and Shelter Costs			
Home-owner households	%	57.9	60.1
Average monthly property expenses	$	706	817
Tenant households	%	42.1	39.9
Average monthly rent	$	529	603
Structural Type of Dwelling			
Single detached house	%	46.0	45.7
Single attached house[25]	%	8.2	7.8
Apartment[25]	%	45.1	45.8
Mobile home	%	0.7	0.7

		2001	2007	2008
MONTHLY LAST-RESORT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE[26]				
Beneficiaries	n	576,614	499,633	488,076
Adults	n	420,096	379,694	371,895
Children	n	156,518	119,939	116,181
Total benefits paid	k$	224,095	235,442	234,305
Average benefits paid	$	388.64	471.23	480.06
Households	n	371,282	341,538	335,072
Total benefits paid	k$	224,095	235,442	234,305
Average benefits paid	$	603.57	689.36	699.27

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

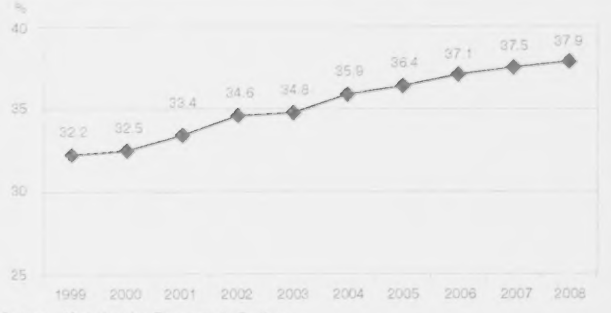
Population Health Indicators[27]

	Unit	2000-2001	2005	2007
Population aged 12 and over considering themselves healthy[28]	%	89.0	89.8	90.1
Men	%	90.4	90.3	90.4
Women	%	87.6	89.3	89.9
Overweight population aged 18 and over[29]	%	44.2	47.4	48.5
Men	%	50.9	55.4	55.6
Women	%	37.7	39.4	41.5
Population aged 12 and over having consulted a health professional in the past 12 months[30]	%	92.5	93.3	92.8
Men	%	89.2	90.5	90.0
Women	%	95.8	95.9	95.6
		2001	2006	2007
Rate of disability among the population aged 15 and over[31]	%	9.8	11.9	..
Men	%	9.0	10.9	..
Women	%	10.7	12.8	..
		2000-2001	2005	2007
Cigarette smokers among the population aged 18 and over	%	30.2	25.7	26.1
Men	%	32.3	27.1	28.6
Women	%	28.1	24.4	23.7
		2000	2006	2008
Cigarette smokers among secondary school students	%	29.0	14.9	..
Men	%	24.7	13.0	..
Women	%	33.4	16.8	..
		2001	2006	2007
Health and Social Services System[32]				
Human Resources				
Physicians per 1,000 people	n	2.00	2.08	2.11
General practitioners per 1,000 people	n	1.00	1.01	1.02
Specialists per 1,000 people	n	1.00	1.07	1.09

LIVING CONDITIONS

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Employees in the health and social services establishment network	CTE	169,027	197,112	199,521
Registered nurses in the health and social services establishment network	CTE	39,248	43,412	43,733
Institutional Resources				
Health and social services establishments	n	477	304	297
Health and social services facilities	n	2,006	1,752[r]	1,752
Set-up beds allotted to general and specialized care per 1,000 people[33]	n	2.19	2.09	2.07
Set-up beds allotted to psychiatric care per 1,000 people[33]	n	0.57	0.42	0.42
Set-up beds allotted to accommodation and long-term care per 1,000 people[33]	n	5.70	5.48	5.42
Use of Services				
Average stay in short-term physical care	d	7.27	7.16	7.15
Medical services	k	80,545	86,580	87,673
Per capita	n	11.0	11.4	11.5
Reports followed up under the *Youth Protection Act* on 100 youths aged 17 and under	%	1.65	2.05	2.09
Accomodation rate for senior citizens aged 65 and over[34]	%	3.8[r]	3.4[r]	3.3
Financial Resources				
Gross government expenditure per capita	$	2,447	3,167	3,470
Proportion of real net expenditure allotted to clinical services	%	68.8	70.7	70.6
Private health expenditure as proportion of total	%	27.8	28.5[r]	28.6
Home care expenditure	M$	554.7	759.1	811.5
Grants to community agencies	M$	232.3	348.9	368.9

Proportion of Government Expenditure Allotted to the Health and Social services mission, Québec, 1999-2008 (on March 31st)



Source: Ministère des Finances du Québec.

JUSTICE AND PROTECTION OF CITIZENS

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Police services[35]				
Actual police officer strength	n	13,927	15,096	15,233
Municipal police forces	n	9,169	8,957	9,047
Sûreté du Québec (Québec provincial police)	n	3,840	5,177	5,215
Royal Canadian Mounted Police	n	918	962	971
Police officers per 100,000 inhabitants	n	188	198	198
Costs per capita	$	199	246	259
Crime victim claims accepted[36]	n	2,597	4,618	4,810
		2000-2001	2006-2007	2007-2008
Applications for legal aid granted[37]	n	212,192	214,836	215,324
		2001	2005	2006
Class actions filed with the Court[38]	n	53	98	75

	Unit	2000-2001 r	2005-2006 r	2006-2007
EDUCATION[40]				
Educational Institutions[40]	n	3,221	3,100	3,098
School and Student Population				
Elementary[41]	n	677,760	599,271	581,241
Secondary – Youth sector	n	447,937	489,054	492,217
Elementary and Secondary – Adult sector	n	222,714	257,428	260,992
College	n	213,444	189,350	191,410
Mainstream of regular education	n	166,990	159,360	162,300
Adult education	n	46,454	29,990	29,110
University	n	233,554	264,243	265,086
Full-time	n	139,635	168,434	169,773
Part-time	n	93,919	95,809	95,313
Diplomas Granted				
Secondary[42]	n	106,310	106,970	110,747
General education	n	74,239	69,961	71,893
Vocational education	n	32,071	37,009	38,854
College (Diploma of Collegial Studies)[43]	n	42,137	41,029	40,699
Pre-university education	n	24,136	23,577	23,687
Technical education	n	18,001	17,452	17,012
University[43]	n	36,455	43,397	44,169
Bachelor's degree	n	27,822	32,117	32,988
Master's degree	n	7,468	10,002	9,925
Doctor's degree	n	1,165	1,278	1,256
Stages of Educational Experience				
Probability of obtaining first secondary school diploma	%	82.1	85.5	86.2
Probability of entering college	%	58.7	59.8	61.0
Probability of entering university (for a bachelor's degree)	%	35.8	41.7	43.3
Public Network				
Teaching Staff[45]				
Elementary and Secondary[47]	CTE	71,918	71,136	73,606
College	CTE	13,381	12,817	13,151
University[44]	n	8,021	9,186	9,315
Expenditures				
Overall education expenditure per student in the public network				
Elementary and Secondary	$	7,739	9,154	10,128 p
College	$	10,194	11,965	12,620 p
University	$	20,244	25,680	26,619 p

	Unit	2000-2001[r]	2005-2006[r]	2006-2007
Overall education expenditure with reference to GDP	%	7.7	7.4	7.6[p]

CULTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS[45]

		2000-2001	2005-2006	2006-2007
Culture Expenditure by Québec Government	**k$**	**707,742.1**	**793,969.8[r]**	**819,660.6**
Visual arts, fine crafts, and media arts	k$	24,581.5	25,142.4	25,814.1
Performing arts	k$	112,581.6	114,909.4	125,322.9
Heritage, museum institutions, and archives	k$	149,927.0	180,507.4[r]	158,062.4
Libraries	k$	165,536.1	205,550.2	221,778.8
Books	k$	9,132.6	7,237.6	7,208.3
Periodicals	k$	2,384.6	2,369.2	2,351.8
Sound recording	k$	6,809.5	2,966.4	2,199.0
Cinematography and audiovisual	k$	25,775.4	43,839.4	49,454.4
Radio and television	k$	76,919.0	75,173.1	71,215.6
Multimedia	k$	608.2	2,141.9	114.2
Others	k$	133,486.6	134,132.8	156,139.1

		2001	2006	2007
Attendance of paying live entertainment shows	k	..	6,977.1	7,068.7
Visitors to museum institutions[46]	k	..	11,789.9	11,956.2
Users of self-sustaining public libraries[47]	k	1,715.6	1,845.0	2,048.8
Books sales	k$	616,226.5	766,327.2	835,134.9
Record sales[48]	k	..	12,160.8	11,511.9
Cinema and drive-in movie theatre attendance	k	27,746.2	24,833.4	24,272.2

LABOUR MARKET[49]

		2001	2006	2007
Population Aged 15 and Over	**k**	**5,940**	**6,252**	**6,315**
Participating	**k**	**3,771**	**4,094**	**4,150**
Men	k	2,061	2,184	2,191
Women	k	1,711	1,910	1,959
15-24 years	k	607	629	636
25-54 years	k	2,794	2,918	2,933
55 years and over	k	370	547	581

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Employed	k	3,440	3,765	3,852
Men	k	1,875	1,998	2,017
Women	k	1,565	1,767	1,834
15-24 years	k	524	544	556
25-54 years	k	2,577	2,713	2,752
55 years and over	k	339	509	544
Full-time	k	2,849	3,079	3,137
Part-time	k	591	686	715
Employees	k	2,973	3,263	3,300
Public sector	%	24.2	24.0	24.2
Private sector	%	75.8	76.0	76.8
Self-employed workers	k	467	503	552
Without employees	%	59.3	62.7	66.3
With employees[50]	%	40.7	37.3	33.7
Unemployed	k	331	329	298
Men	k	185	186	174
Women	k	146	143	125
Average length of unemployment	wk	23.4	20.4	19.9
Unemployment Rate	%	8.8	8.0	7.2
Men	%	9.0	8.5	7.9
Women	%	8.5	7.5	6.4
15-24 years	%	13.7	13.6	12.5
25-54 years	%	7.8	7.0	6.2
55 years and over	%	8.2	7.1	6.4
Without a diploma	%	15.2	15.3	14.7
With a secondary school diploma	%	9.3	8.5	7.8
With post-secondary school diploma[51]	%	6.3	6.0	5.1
Employment Rate	%	57.9	60.2	61.0
Men	%	64.4	65.0	65.0
Women	%	51.7	55.6	57.2
Participation Rate	%	63.5	65.5	65.7
Men	%	70.7	71.1	70.6
Women	%	56.5	60.1	61.0
Employment Insurance[52]				
Average number of beneficiaries per month	n	233,303	219,898	194,077
Total benefits paid	k$	4,023,130	4,126,910	3,806,346
Average weekly benefits	$	267.91	300.41	307.26

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
UNIONS				
Unionization[53]	%	**40.9**	**40.5**	**40.0**
Public sector	%	81.2	82.1	81.5
Private sector	%	27.9	27.3	26.6
Primary sector	%	36.5	35.0	36.7
Secondary sector	%	42.2	42.7	42.7
Construction	%	54.2	57.6	54.1
Manufacturing	%	40.2	39.0	39.6
Tertiary sector	%	40.5	40.0	39.3
Government	%	77.8	81.2	78.4
Others	%	36.5	36.1	35.7
Collective Agreements in Force[54]	n	**8,761**	**9,809**	**9,662**
Signed collective agreements	n	2,037	3,201[r]	1,883
According to union affiliation				
CSQ	n	34	165	80
CSD	n	109	105[r]	138
CSN	n	444	1,136[r]	486
FTQ	n	1,078[r]	1,258[r]	921
Independent unions	n	307[r]	528[r]	236
Others	n	65	9	22
Labour Disputes Triggered During the Year	n	**91**	**37**[r]	**44**
Labour disputes in progress during the year	n	112	43[r]	51
Workers affected	n	52,597	5,370[r]	8,321
Annual Variation of Salary Rate[55]	%	**2.9**	**2.4**	**2.3**
Public sector[56]	%	2.8	2.2	2.2
Private sector	%	2.9	2.7	2.5

INCOME[57]

		2001	2005	2006
Individuals Earning an Income				
Total income (according to source)	$	28,029	30,960	32,249
Private income	$	24,020	26,504	27,576
Employment income	$	20,668	22,442	23,283
Investment income	$	1,053	1,028	1,070
Retirement income	$	1,772	2,277	2,429
Others	$	527	756	794
Transfer income	$	4,009	4,456	4,673
– Taxes	$	–5,316	–5,551	–5,750
Disposable income	$	22,713	25,409	26,499

	Unit	2001	2005	2006
Total income (according to age of individuals)	$	28,029	30,960	32,249
Less than 25 years	$	11,293	12,512	12,442
25-44 years	$	31,088	35,632	37,319
45-64 years	$	34,962	36,566	37,613
65 years and over	$	20,926	23,146	25,263
Average Employment Income from Individuals Earning an Income	$	28,984	31,221	32,033
Men	$	33,795	36,745	36,996
Full-time all year	$	44,277	49,647	49,559
Others	$	21,128	20,781	22,378
Women	$	23,237	24,796	26,275
Full-time all year	$	34,935	35,524	38,425
Others	$	13,913	15,192	16,712

		2001	2006	2007
Minimum Wage Rate[58]	$	7.00	7.75	8.00
Employees Earning Minimum Wage[58]	n	209,322	136,776	177,845
In proportion with the total number of employees	%	7.0	4.2	5.4
Retail trade	%	18.8	10.9	14.9
Accommodation and food services	%	28.3	16.0	19.0
Other sectors	%	3.7	2.2	2.7
Establishment with 1 to 19 employees	%	13.7	7.6	10.1
Establishment with 20 employees and over	%	4.0	2.6	3.3

		2001	2005	2006
Average Disposable Income for Family Units	$	40,040	44,432	46,204
Single individuals	$	20,953	23,541	25,143
Families	$	50,692	56,986	59,124
Couples without children	$	46,106	50,149	51,833
Couples with children[59]	$	59,605	67,477	70,143
Lone-parents[59]	$	31,474	38,924	40,001
Others	$	53,255	61,999	65,573

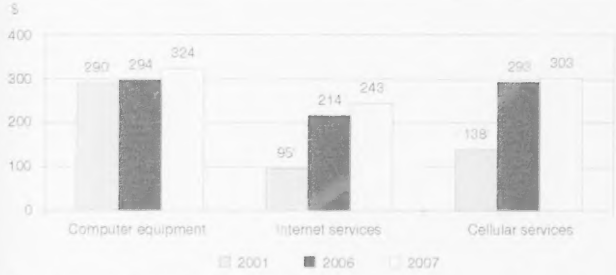
	Unit	2001	2005	2006
Low-Income Family Units After Taxes[60]	%	13.5	14.3	12.7
Single individuals	%	23.6	27.0	22.9
Families	%	7.8	6.6	6.4
Couples without children	%	5.4	5.5	5.4
Couples with children[59]	%	6.9	4.8	4.3
Lone-parents[58]	%	24.1	20.2	20.6
Others	%	2.9	3.9	4.6

		2000	2005
Household Income[61]			
Distribution by bracket			
Less than $10,000	%	7.3	6.2
$10,000 – $29,999	%	25.1	24.3
$30,000 – $59,999	%	31.6	32.4
$60,000 – $99,999	%	23.5	23.6
$100,000 or more	%	12.5	13.6
Average income	$	56,078	58,954

CONSUMPTION

		2001[r]	2006	2007
Average Spending per Household[62]	$	48,620	56,559	57,308
Food	%	12.7	12.3	12.8
Shelter	%	17.2	17.8	17.7
Furnishings and household equipment	%	2.6	3.2	2.7
Clothing	%	4.3	4.2	4.1
Transportation	%	12.5	13.3	13.2
Health and personal care	%	4.8	5.3	5.5
Recreation	%	5.8	5.8	5.3
Tobacco products, alcoholic beverages and games of chance (net amount)	%	3.3	3.0	2.7
Personal income tax	%	22.5	19.8	20.5
Personal insurance payments and pension contributions	%	5.8	6.1	6.3
Other expenses	%	8.6	9.1	9.2

Average Household Spending on Information Technology and Communication, Québec, 2001, 2006 and 2007



Source: Statistics Canada, *Survey of Household Spending*.

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Consumer Indebtedness				
Ratio[63,64]	%	26.2	34.0	36.2
Total consumer debt	M$	38,110	60,527	67,997
Consumer debt per capita	$	5,152	7,911	8,830
		2001	2007	2008
Consumer Price Index[65]				
(variation in relation to the previous year)				
Québec Province	%	2.3	1.6	2.1
Food	%	4.9	2.3	3.2
Shelter	%	2.1	2.9	3.8
Household operations and furnishings	%	1.8	1.2	1.8
Clothing and footwear	%	1.2	−1.5	−3.7
Transportation	%	−0.3	1.2	2.6
Health and personal care	%	1.2	1.1	1.3
Recreation, education and reading	%	0.7	−0.9	−0.4
Tobacco and alcoholic beverages	%	10.1	2.3	1.1
Census Metropolitan Areas				
Québec	%	2.3	1.3	2.1
Shelter	%	1.6	2.2	3.5
Montréal	%	2.4	1.6	2.1
Shelter	%	2.3	3.0	3.5

	Unit	2001[r]	2006[r]	2007
AGRICULTURE[44]				
Zoned area for agriculture	k ha	6,338.5	6,305.0	6,304.7
Total area of farmland	k ha	3,417.0	3,462.9	..
Cultivated area	k ha	1,849.9	1,933.3	..
Farms	n	32,139	30,675	..
Total net income of farm operators	M$	883	469	744
Total cash receipts	M$	5,737	6,274	6,864
Sale of farm products outside of primary industry	M$	5,113	5,368	5,676
Animal production	M$	3,863	3,871	4,072
Livestock	M$	2,173	1,864	1,945
Cattle and calves	M$	542	512	506
Hogs	M$	1,127	849	874
Poultry	M$	482	466	529
Other livestock	M$	22	37	36
By-products	M$	1,691	2,007	2,127
Milk	M$	1,544	1,849	1,965
Table eggs	M$	99	95	97
Other by-products	M$	48	63	65
Crop production	M$	1,250	1,497	1,604
Maple syrup production	M$	131	162	142
Grains	M$	271	326	423
Fruits	M$	100	179	131
Ornamental horticulture	M$	181	230	250
Vegetables	M$	284	313	323
Oil seed and high-protein crops	M$	95	124	193
Potatoes	M$	96	115	94
Other crops	M$	92	48	48
Sales of non-farm products	M$	46	49	54
Gross government payments	M$	624	876	1,134
Bio-food product imports	M$	2,918.7	3,686.3	3,943.1
Bio-food product exports	M$	3,350.2	3,819.0	4,130.0
Meats	M$	1,010.0	1,124.4	1,113.0
Oilseeds, pulses and oilseed products	M$	120.0	199.4	392.5
Food and various products	M$	254.2	316.7	330.9
Cocoa and products	M$	340.9	324.5	315.6
Honey, maple products and sugar	M$	189.9	307.9	292.2
Cereal grains and grain products	M$	201.2	229.9	263.2
Fish and seafood	M$	162.3	200.7	217.5
Fruits and nuts	M$	107.4	188.3	216.5
Beverages	M$	251.2	183.3	186.4

	Unit	2001[r]	2006[r]	2007
Poultry meat and eggs	M$	59.1	130.7	166.6
Vegetables other than potatoes	M$	132.6	160.5	149.5
Milk products	M$	218.8	111.6	90.3
Animal sub-products	M$	84.8	109.2	89.6
Other exports	M$	217.8	231.9	306.1

		2001	2006	2007
FISHING				
Maritime[67]				
Licensed fishing vessels	n	1,471	1,400	1,389
Permit holders	n	1,308	1,577	1,454
Total value of landings	k$	150,136	122,573	152,018[p]
Fish	%	8.6	10.6	9.3
Mollusks and shellfish	%	91.4	89.4	90.7
Inshore waters[68]				
Permit holders	n	174	136[r]	135
Estimated value of landings	k$	3,037	1,912	1,619
Aquaculture[69]				
Operating license holders	n	193	135[r]	134
Estimated value of aquacultural sales	k$	14,089	11,562[r]	12,876
Fresh water fishery	k$	13,178	10,883[r]	12,013
Sea farming	k$	910	679	863

FORESTRY[70]		2000-2001	2006-2007	2007-2008
Area of intensive forest inventory zone	km^2	764,843	591,549	591,549
Fresh water	km^2	76,188	58,302	58,302
Productive forest land[99]				
Slope of 0% to 40%	km^2	518,164	424,114	424,114
Slope of 41% or more	km^2	10,706	11,401	11,401
Unproductive forest land	km^2	126,253	62,838	62,838
Non forest land[70]	km^2	33,532	34,894	34,894
Gross merchantable volume[71]	$k\ m^3$	4,367,902	3,791,919	3,791,919
Harvested area	ha	428,000	394,600[r]	385,600[p]
Volume of harvested wood	$k\ m^3$	42,155	33,013[p]	28,872[p]
Reforested area	ha	89,709	84,238[r]	59,381[p]

	Unit	2001	2005	2006
Value of delivery and other earnings from forestry export	M$	2,821.4	3,308.0[r]	3,088.1

		2001	2007	2008
MINE PRODUCTION[12]				
Value of Total Mine Production	**M$**	**3,599.7**	**5,540.0**	**5,208.5**[p]
Gold	M$	456.9	655.3	836.7[p]
Stone	M$	266.5	415.6	402.6[p]
Ciment	M$	282.4	390.1	401.7[p]
Zinc	M$	355.3	358.4	274.6[p]
Copper	M$	244.9	165.3	252.7[p]
Silver	M$	52.5	88.3	81.2[p]
Sand and gravel	M$	85.6	90.1	77.9[p]
Peat	M$	55.4	55.4	61.7[p]
Asbestos	M$	118.7	x	x
Other substances	M$	1,681.5	3,321.5	2,819.4[p]

		2001	2005	2006
ENERGY[13]				
Total Energy Consumption	**k toe**	**38,915.7**	**41,508.8**[r]	**41,042.9**
According to type				
Electricity	%	39.0	40.3[r]	40.4
Petroleum	%	38.3	38.3[r]	36.8
Natural gas	%	12.3	11.8[r]	12.6
Biomass	%	9.3	8.8[r]	9.4
Coal	%	1.1	0.9[r]	0.9

Total Consumption of Energy According to the Sector, Québec, 2006

Source: Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune

	Unit	2001	2005	2006
Electricity Production	M kWh	202,823	212,672	212,454
According to type of producers				
Hydro-Québec	%	71.7	72.8	71.2
Private producers[74]	%	13.7	13.0	14.0
Churchill Falls[75]	%	14.6	14.2	14.8
According to the source of energy				
Hydraulic	%	96.4	96.6	96.8
Thermal	%	1.0	1.0	0.7
Nuclear	%	2.5	2.2	2.3
Wind power	%	0.1	0.2	0.2
Electricity Consumption[76]	M kWh	176,521	194,512	192,673
Electricity Exportation	M kWh	17,082	13,446	13,823
United States	%	87.4	78.6	84.7
Other canadian provinces	%	12.6	21.4	15.3
Origin of Crude Petroleum Supply				
America (including Canada)	%	19.0	18.4	15.1
North Sea	%	57.3	46.8	41.3
Africa, Middle East and other countries	%	23.7	34.8	43.6
Balance of Trade in the Energy Sector	M$	−5,382	−9,312[r]	−10,030
Electricity	M$	660	631[r]	634
Petroleum[77]	M$	−4,374	−7,781	−8,982
Natural gas	M$	−1,543	−2,020	−1,565
Coal	M$	−126	−142	−117

		2001	2006	2007
CONSTRUCTION[78]				
Housing starts	n	27,682	47,877	48,553
Building permits	n	136,671	163,627	163,517
Residential	n	118,307	144,832	145,551
Non-residential	n	18,364	18,795	17,966
Value of building permits	M$	7,449.8	11,902.7	12,973.4
Residential	M$	3,619.5	7,779.6	8,416.1
Non-residential	M$	3,830.4	4,123.2	4,557.3
Hours worked	M	90.1	124.0[r]	126.1
Residential construction	M	13.4	26.2[r]	27.2
Non-residential construction	M	76.7	97.8[r]	98.9

	Unit	2001	2005[r]	2006
MANUFACTURING SECTOR[79,80]				
Revenue from Goods Manufactured	M$	..	137,552.9	140,956.1
Non-durable goods (NAICS)	M$	..	67,314.3	67,278.4
Food	M$	..	15,510.8	15,562.1
Beverage and tobacco products	M$	..	3,416.6	3,421.0
Textile mills	M$	..	1,784.7	1,554.9
Textile product mills	M$	..	780.3	706.7
Clothing	M$	..	3,263.8	3,037.3
Leather and allied products	M$	..	259.1	209.5
Paper	M$	..	10,778.6	10,362.6
Printing and related support activities	M$	..	3,229.4	3,142.4
Petroleum and coal products	M$	..	12,378.7	13,170.7
Chemicals	M$	..	9,649.1	9,885.0
Plastics and rubber products	M$	..	6,263.3	6,225.9
Durable goods (NAICS)	M$	..	70,238.6	73,677.8
Wood products	M$	..	9,185.8	8,464.8
Non-metallic mineral products	M$	..	2,965.1	2,941.8
Primary metals	M$	..	16,264.5	21,425.4
Fabricated metal products	M$	..	7,474.9	7,478.7
Machinery	M$	..	5,291.3	5,425.5
Computer and electronic products	M$	..	5,074.0	4,309.6
Electrical equipment, appliances and components	M$	..	3,277.6	3,817.2
Transportation equipment	M$	..	14,436.1	13,664.7
Furniture and related products	M$	..	3,961.9	3,761.8
Miscellaneous manufacturing	M$	..	2,307.4	2,388.4

TRANSPORTATION[81]		2001	2006	2007
Road network[82]	km	29,418	29,778	30,087
Number of motor vehicles	k	4,762.7	5,402.4	5,539.0
Pleasure vehicles	%	74.9	74.3	74.1
Vehicles for institutional, professional or commercial use	%	25.1	10.7	13.1
Vehicles outside the road network	%	..	12.4	12.7
Public transit vehicles[83]	n	3,794	4,091[r]	4,180
Passengers transported[84]	M	505.1	530.2[r]	537.1

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Owners and operators of heavy vehicles	n	47,857	49,167	49,435
Heavy-duty vehicles > 3,000 kg	n	107,149	118,268	119,941
Merchandise transported[85]	M t	67.8	..	..
Railway system	km	6,554	6,678	6,678
Main, local and regional lines of the principal railway companies	km	3,336	3,431	3,410
Shortline railways	km	2,335	2,351	2,367
Industrial railways	km	828	848	832
Others	km	55	48	69
		2001	2005	2006
Commercial railway traffic	M t	61.3	68.3	68.1
Maritime shipping				
International	M t	68.8	83.8	..
Coastal	M t	27.3	28.9	..
Ferry crossings[86]				
Passengers transported	k	5,444.8	5,281.2	5,327.7
Vehicles transported	k	2,539.6	2,625.9	2,665.1
Airport activities				
Passenger movements				
Dorval (Montréal-Trudeau)	k	8,079.9	10,813.8[r]	11,370.1
Mirabel (Montréal-Mirabel)	k	1,415.1	..	..
Québec (Jean-Lesage)	k	642.8	793.7[r]	805.1
Cargo movements				
Dorval (Montréal-Trudeau)	t	90,156	77,199[r]	76,860
Mirabel (Montréal-Mirabel)	t	42,150	41,241[r]	41,980
Québec (Jean-Lesage)	t	637	3,073[r]	2,883

		2001	2006	2007
TOURISM[87]				
Visitors[88]	k	..	62,006	61,705
Tourists[89]	k	..	26,279	25,800
Québecers	%	..	76.2	76.1
Canadians from other provinces	%	..	11.6	12.2
Americans	%	..	8.0	7.7
Coming from other countries	%	..	4.1	4.1
Tourist Spending in Québec[90]	M$	..	10,089	10,447
Tourists[89]	M$	..	6,662	6,756
Québecers	%	..	50.5	51.4
Canadians from other provinces	%	..	16.0	15.9
Americans	%	..	18.0	17.2
Coming from other countries	%	..	15.4	15.5

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Average Length of Visit by Tourists[88]				
Québecers	d	...	2.5	2.5
Canadians from other provinces	d	...	3.0	3.3
Americans	d	...	3.7	3.6
Coming from other countries	d	...	11.3	11.3
Average Spending per Visit by Tourists[88]				
Québecers	$	...	168	177
Canadians from other provinces	$	...	349	342
Americans	$	...	570	585
Coming from other countries	$	...	942	990
Québec International Travel Account				
Revenues from foreign visitors to Québec[88]	M$	2,344	2,294	2,255
Spending by Québec visitors travelling abroad[89]	M$	2,686	3,603	4,064
Québec's tourism balance	M$	–342	–1,308	–1,809

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT[90]

		2001	2005	2006
GERD[91]	M$	6,417	7,291[r]	7,681[p]
GERD in relation to GDP[91]	%	2.77	2.69[r]	2.73[p]
Financing of the GERD[91]				
Businesses	%	57.3	52.0[r]	54.7[p]
Government	%	20.6	22.3[r]	20.9[p]
Higher education	%	12.4	16.2[r]	15.6[p]
Foreign	%	7.5	7.3[r]	6.4[p]
Non-profit organizations	%	2.3	2.2[r]	2.3[p]
Implementation of the GERD[91]				
Businesses	%	64.8	57.6[r]	59.9[p]
Higher education	%	27.7	35.1[r]	33.1[p]
Government	%	7.5	7.4[r]	7.1[p]
Non-profit organizations	%	0.0	0.0[r]	0.0[p]
Total expenditure in industrial R&D	M$	4,158	4,199[r]	4,598[p]
Total personnel in industrial R&D	CTE	38,554	45,205[p]	..

	Unit	2001	2006[r]	2007
Share of high-technology industry in manufacturing exports[92]	%	29.9	22.8	24.7
Share of high-technology industry in manufacturing imports[92]	%	33.5	26.3	24.3

		2001	2005	2006
COOPERATIVES	n	2,932	2,829[r]	2,805
Non-Financial Cooperatives[93]	n	2,117	2,284[r]	2,277
Amalgamation of cooperatives	n	20	21[r]	21
Consumers' cooperatives	n	1,489	1,533[r]	1,531
Producers' cooperatives	n	272	307[r]	304
Workers' cooperatives	n	188	196[r]	184
Shareholding workers' cooperatives	n	59	72[r]	65
Solidarity cooperatives	n	89	155[r]	172
Financial Cooperatives[94]	n	815	545	528

		2001	2006	2007
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS[54]				
Loans from Deposit-Taking Institutions				
Mortgage	M$	71,268	108,910	115,238
Canadian chartered banks	%	51.4	50.1	49.1
Foreign chartered banks	%	1.0	1.2	1.2
Savings and credit unions	%	46.9	48.3	49.1
Trust or mortgage loan corporations[95]	%	0.6	0.4	0.6
Non-mortgage				
To individuals[96]	M$	26,798	45,412	50,649
To businesses	M$	24,770	28,149	28,750
Deposits by Individuals	M$	95,135	119,853	128,049
Canadian chartered banks	M$	48,888	58,039	61,532
Foreign chartered banks	M$	614	3,120	3,759
Savings and credit unions	M$	44,298	57,911	61,779
Trust or mortgage loan corporations[95]	M$	1,336	783	979
Mutual Funds				
Total assets	M$	65,145	98,573	104,886
In deposit-taking institutions	M$	21,917	37,937	42,743
Through other promoters of mutual funds	M$	43,228	60,636	62,142

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Bank Rate[97]				
Minimum	%	2.50	3.75	4.50
Maximum	%	5.75	4.50	4.75
Average	%	4.31	4.31	4.60
Interest Rate for Mortgage Loan (one year)				
Minimum	%	4.60	5.80	6.40
Maximum	%	7.40	6.60	7.35
Average	%	6.14	6.28	6.90
Interest Rate for Guaranteed Investment Certificate (one year)				
Minimum	%	1.23	2.03	2.68
Maximum	%	3.73	3.08	3.28
Average	%	2.64	2.78	2.98
Insurance				
Personal insurance[98]				
Written premiums per capita	$	973	1,277	1,340
Policyholder benefits paid per capita	$	809	909	927
General insurance[99]				
Written premiums per capita	$	732	928	954
Policyholder benefits paid per capita	$	458	579	515

		2001	2007	2008
INVESTMENTS[100]				
Capital Spending	M$	37,558.9	56,355.0[p]	60,381.5[e]
Private sector	M$	29,358.4	41,872.2[p]	43,485.4[e]
Construction	M$	14,428.8	25,380.0[p]	25,902.4[e]
Machinery and equipment	M$	14,929.4	16,492.3[p]	17,583.0[e]
Public sector	M$	8,200.5	14,482.8[p]	16,896.1[e]
Construction	M$	5,340.8	10,632.0[p]	12,964.4[e]
Public Administration	M$	3,266.3	6,388.9[p]	8,035.6[e]
Public businesses	M$	2,074.5	4,243.1[p]	4,928.8[e]
Machinery and equipment	M$	2,859.8	3,850.8[p]	3,931.7[e]
Public Administration	M$	2,079.1	2,872.2[p]	2,895.1[e]
Public businesses	M$	780.7	978.6[p]	1,036.7[e]
Primary	%	4.4	3.5[p]	4.2[e]
Secondary	%	15.9	8.6[p]	9.7[e]
Tertiary	%	54.5	53.6[p]	54.2[e]

	Unit	2001	2007	2008
Housing	%	25.1	34.2[p]	31.9[e]
Share of investments in the GDP	%	16.2	20.0[p]	20.4[e]

INTERNATIONAL TRADE[92]		2001	2006[r]	2007
Exports	**M$**	**71,035.6**	**73,195.8**	**69,924.1**
Principal destinations				
United States	M$	60,124.0	56,769.0	52,199.9
United Kingdom	M$	1,670.0	1,612.3	1,700.5
The Netherlands	M$	713.7	1,097.1	1,567.9
Germany	M$	1,144.0	1,536.8	1,330.1
France	M$	913.7	1,184.4	1,186.3
Major export products				
Aluminium and alloys	M$	5,197.0	7,879.7	8,033.6
Aircraft complete with engines	M$	8,142.8	6,081.7	6,163.7
Newsprint paper	M$	3,800.4	3,309.4	2,838.4
Aircraft engines and parts	M$	2,166.3	2,302.2	2,640.9
Copper and its alloys	M$	870.3	2,812.1	2,286.2
Imports	**M$**	**64,276.8**	**80,757.2**	**80,807.2**
Principal origins				
United States	M$	26,967.7	24,864.1	26,637.4
China	M$	2,753.7	6,821.1	6,538.6
United Kingdom	M$	6,221.9	5,457.4	6,243.0
Algeria	M$	1,144.2	4,952.6	5,070.3
Japan	M$	2,683.7	3,336.9	3,576.3
Major import products				
Crude petroleum	M$	7,763.0	13,761.2	13,763.1
Automobiles and chassis	M$	6,306.3	7,971.8	8,321.9
Other petroleum and coal products	M$	659.2	2,872.9	2,699.9
Complete aircraft with engines	M$	1,069.2	1,007.5	2,164.3
Trucks, truck tractors and chassis	M$	1,266.6	2,134.0	2,153.3

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		2001	2007	2008
Exchange Rate for the Canadian Dollar[101]				
In US dollars (annual average)	$ US	0.6458	0.9304	0.9381
High	$ US	0.6711	1.1030	1.0298
Low	$ US	0.6230	0.8419	0.7688
In Euros (annual average)	€	0.7211	0.6807	0.6409

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
GDP in Purchasing Power Parity (PPP)[102]				
United States	G$ US PPP	10,128.0	13,178.4	13,807.5
China	G$ US PPP	3,300.1	6,409.5	7,313.9
Japan	G$ US PPP	3,330.6	4,088.9	4,289.7
India	G$ US PPP	1,668.3	2,749.3	3,096.2
Germany	G$ US PPP	2,212.6	2,667.6	2,743.1
United Kingdom	G$ US PPP	1,631.2	2,048.4	2,104.3
Russia	G$ US PPP	1,203.1	1,874.8	2,088.3
France	G$ US PPP	1,630.6	1,976.0	2,084.1
Brazil	G$ US PPP	1,272.0	1,701.7	1,833.6
Italy	G$ US PPP	1,546.6	1,714.3	1,772.4
Mexico	G$ US PPP	1,009.3	1,428.2	1,535.3
Spain	G$ US PPP	920.5	1,269.6	1,413.8
Canada	G$ US PPP	909.9	1,204.4	1,270.0
South Korea	G$ US PPP	821.7	1,112.9	1,199.3
Québec (43rd)	G$ US PPP	190.2	233.8	245.4
Per capita GDP in PPP[102]				
Qatar	$ US PPP	55,425	81,396	94,687
Luxembourg	$ US PPP	53,940	75,560	81,802
United Arab Emirates	$ US PPP	39,394	55,555	59,442
Norway	$ US PPP	37,114	50,322	54,279
Singapore	$ US PPP	32,891	47,637	52,031
Brunei	$ US PPP	43,332	49,898	50,476
Macao	$ US PPP	21,325	44,748	..
United States	$ US PPP	35,504	44,109	45,763
Kuwait	$ US PPP	30,525	43,595	45,633
Ireland	$ US PPP	30,544	41,089	44,121
Switzerland	$ US PPP	32,484	38,086	41,258
Hong Kong	$ US PPP	26,862	37,596	40,676
Netherlands	$ US PPP	30,806	37,227	39,073
Canada	$ US PPP	29,334	36,973	38,569
Iceland	$ US PPP	30,462	37,443	38,006
Austria	$ US PPP	28,813	36,046	37,511
Australia	$ US PPP	28,289	35,586	37,503
Sweden	$ US PPP	27,981	35,026	37,062
Denmark	$ US PPP	29,455	35,492	36,014
Belgium	$ US PPP	28,445	33,967	35,226
United Kingdom	$ US PPP	27,595	33,809	34,620
Finland	$ US PPP	26,662	32,865	34,413
Japan	$ US PPP	26,195	32,006	33,577
Germany	$ US PPP	26,871	32,387	33,346

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
France	$ US PPP	26,652	31,269	32,782
Bahrain	$ US PPP	25,921	30,280	32,358
Québec	$ US PPP	25,716	30,632	31,924

ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS		2001	2006	2007
GDP at Basic Prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	218,322	239,443	245,177
GDP at Market Prices (current $)[104]	M$	231,624	281,521	296,692
GDP per capita	$	31,313	36,795	38,527
Final domestic demand	M$	225,382	289,154	309,112
Corporation profits before taxes	M$	22,523	27,009	27,870
Business investment in fixed capital	M$	33,186	46,261	50,067
Current transfers by governments				
To businesses	M$	5,029	6,412	6,949
To persons	M$	29,343	37,605	40,080
Per capita	$	3,967	4,915	5,205
Disposable personal income	M$	145,505	178,224	188,320
Per capita	$	19,671	23,294	24,455
Personal consumption expenditure	M$	135,952	171,236	180,634
Personal savings	M$	6,818	3,313	3,689
Per capita	$	922	433	479
Personal saving rate[105]	%	4.7	1.9	2.0

GOVERNMENT SECTOR REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE IN QUÉBEC[104]		2001	2006	2007
Revenue	M$	99,304	122,782	129,684
Direct taxes coming from				
Persons	M$	34,139	39,122	42,843
Corporate and government business enterprises	M$	7,811	11,883	12,956
Non-residents (taxe withholdings)	M$	1,106	1,709	1,682
Contributions to social insurance plans	M$	12,471	15,826	15,783

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Indirect taxes	M$	35,192	41,860	43,150
Other current transfers by persons	M$	2,384	2,919	3,131
Investment income	M$	6,201	9,463	10,139
Current Expenditure	**M$**	**104,939**	**126,324**	**135,157**
Net current expenditure on goods and services	M$	50,007	62,695	68,078
Current transfers				
To persons	M$	29,343	37,605	40,080
To businesses	M$	5,029	6,412	6,949
Interest on public debt	M$	20,560	19,612	20,050
Savings	**M$**	**–5,635**	**–3,542**	**–5,473**
Plus				
Capital consumption allowances	M$	4,911	6,068	6,302
Net capital transfers	M$	265	–452	–525
Minus				
Acquisition of non-financial capital	M$	6,279	8,949	10,337
Investment in fixed capital and in inventory	M$	6,244	8,949	10,337
Existing assets	M$	35	–	–
Equals				
Net Lending	**M$**	**–6,738**	**–6,875**	**–10,033**

QUÉBEC GOVERNMENT BUDGETARY TRANSACTIONS AND DEBT[106]		2000-2001 r	2006-2007 r	2007-2008
Total Expenditure	**M$**	**49,251**	**63,368**	**67,094**
Economy and Environment mission	%	12.2	11.7	12.1
Education and Culture mission	%	22.0	21.2	21.5
Health and Social services mission	%	33.4	37.5	37.9
Support for Individuals and Families mission	%	9.9	8.3	8.1
Administration and Justice mission	%	7.2	8.6	8.4
Debt service mission	%	15.3	12.7	12.0
Total Revenue	**M$**	**50,628**	**65,361**	**68,744**
Income and property taxes	%	51.1	44.1	42.8
Consumption taxes	%	18.7	19.7	19.1
Duties and permits	%	2.8	2.5	2.4
Miscellaneous	%	4.6	5.8	6.3

	Unit	2000-2001[r]	2006-2007[r]	2007-2008
Government enterprises	%	6.8	8.7	7.3
Revenue from the Generations Fund	%	..	0.9	0.7
Government of Canada transfers	%	16.0	18.3	21.4
Budgetary Balance	M$	1,377	1,993	1,650
Cumulative Deficit	M$	81,042	96,124	94,171
Total Debt	M$	104,848	122,600	125,915

		2001	2006	2007
ECONOMIC ACTIVITY BY SECTOR (NAICS)				
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	4,239.5	4,468.0	4,262.8
Sector share of total	%	1.9	1.8	1.7
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	1,454	1,788	1,727
Employees[107]	k	..	..	..
Sector share of total	%	..	..	..
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	..	..	..
Mining and Oil and Gas Extraction				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	1,265.8	1,016.3	1,078.5
Sector share of total	%	0.6	0.4	0.4
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	823	944	1,095
Employees[107]	k	11.1	12.1	13.2
Sector share of total	%	0.4	0.4	0.4
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	945.20	1,114.85	1,257.25
Utilities				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	8,871.8	9,462.0	9,852.3
Sector share of total	%	4.1	4.0	4.0
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	2,037	2,654	2,701
Employees[107]	k	26.8	30.4	29.3
Sector share of total	%	0.9	1.0	0.9
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	1,085.63	1,122.88	1,162.90

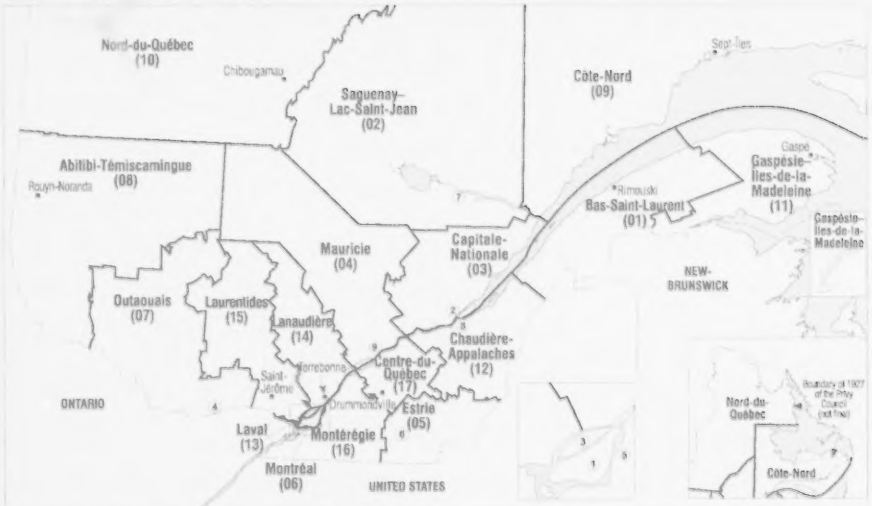
	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Construction				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	10,188.6	12,828.3	13,878.4
Sector share of total	%	4.7	5.4	5.7
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	6,398	8,749	9,060
Employees[107]	k	121.5	145.9r	148.1
Sector share of total	%	4.0	4.6r	4.6
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	750.72	858.64r	880.04
Manufacturing				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	48,133.3	46,660.9	46,529.0
Sector share of total	%	22.0	19.5	19.0
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	25,345	27,533	28,116
Employees[107]	k	568.5	509.8r	495.9
Sector share of total	%	18.9	15.9r	15.4
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	732.89	835.23r	867.46
Wholesale Trade				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	10,972.4	12,665.8	13,261.6
Sector share of total	%	5.0	5.3	5.4
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	7,599	8,875	9,514
Employees[107]	k	176.2	175.9	177.9
Sector share of total	%	5.9	5.5	5.5
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	687.94	805.33	849.65
Retail Trade				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	12,585.3	15,285.6	16,017.4
Sector share of total	%	5.8	6.4	6.5
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	8,544	11,283	11,691
Employees[107]	k	349.4	422.0r	435.7
Sector share of total	%	11.6	13.2	13.5
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	399.91	445.14r	440.42
Transportation and Warehousing				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	9,710.1	10,306.4	10,380.4
Sector share of total	%	4.4	4.3	4.2
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	6,452	7,724	8,270

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Employees[107]	k	145.4	143.1[r]	145.3
Sector share of total	%	4.8	4.5	4.5
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	694.68	747.54[r]	762.87
Information and Cultural Industries				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	8,387.3	9,355.5	9,577.7
Sector share of total	%	3.8	3.9	3.9
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	4,422	5,169	5,457
Employees[107]	k	77.5	80.2	79.6
Sector share of total	%	2.6	2.5	2.5
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	787.54	931.38	972.76
Finance and Insurance, Real Estate and Renting, Management of Companies and Enterprises				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	35,262.1	40,531.1	41,813.6
Sector share of total	%	16.2	16.9	17.1
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	9,201	12,085	12,776
Employees[107]	k	183.5	201.1[r]	205.9
Sector share of total	%	6.1	6.3[r]	6.4
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	714.49	839.54[r]	848.57
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	8,903.2	10,613.0	10,906.8
Sector share of total	%	4.1	4.4	4.4
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	5,986	8,008	8,326
Employees[107]	k	143.5	151.5[r]	154.0
Sector share of total	%	4.8	4.7	4.8
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	782.66	871.95[r]	901.76
Administrative and Support, Waste Management and Remediation Services				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	5,129.0	6,375.6	6,550.8
Sector share of total	%	2.3	2.7	2.7

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	3,709	4,996	5,156
Employees[107]	k	119.7	142.5[r]	145.9
Sector share of total	%	4.0	4.5	4.5
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	504.59	574.42[r]	612.54
Educational Services				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	11,621.7	12,345.6	12,685.6
Sector share of total	%	5.3	5.2	5.2
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	9,867	11,883	12,630
Employees[107]	k	231.8	241.2	244.3
Sector share of total	%	7.7	7.5[r]	7.6
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	707.41	767.11[r]	796.00
Health Care and Social Assistance				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	16,293.3	17,585.0	17,883.1
Sector share of total	%	7.5	7.3	7.3
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	11,216	13,681	15,595
Employees[107]	k	299.8	340.9	346.4
Sector share of total	%	10.0	10.7	10.7
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	562.81	636.31	671.94
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	2,413.8	2,762.9	2,786.5
Sector share of total	%	1.1	1.2	1.1
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	1,440	1,836	2,000
Employees[107]	k	45.4	53.4	52.9
Sector share of total	%	1.5	1.7	1.6
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	434.46	460.28	460.61
Accomodation and Food Services				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	4,742.5	5,496.1	5,580.2
Sector share of total	%	2.2	2.3	2.3
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	3,586	4,685	4,931

	Unit	2001	2006	2007
Employees[107]	k	195.6	214.2	219.4
Sector share of total	%	6.5	6.7	6.8
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	271.70	303.68	325.13
Other Services (except Public Administration)				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	5,506.7	6,382.8	6,477.7
Sector share of total	%	2.5	2.7	2.6
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	3,998	5,034	5,462
Employees[107]	k	109.8	120.3	119.4
Sector share of total	%	3.7	3.8	3.7
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	474.69	550.05	569.09
Public Administration				
GDP at basic prices (in chained 2002 $)[103]	M$	14,102.5	15,327.8	15,508.9
Sector share of total	%	6.5	6.4	6.3
Employee remuneration[104]	M$	9,914	13,022	13,674
Employees[107]	k	183.3	195.4	196.2
Sector share of total	%	6.1	6.1	6.1
Average weekly wage of employees[108]	$	776.00	940.62	960.90

Québec's Administrative Regions



Cities of 100,000 or more inhabitants in 2008[20]

1	Montréal	3	Laval	5	Longueuil	7	Saguenay
2	Québec	4	Gatineau	6	Sherbrooke	8	Lévis
9	Trois-Rivières						

Source: Institut de la statistique du Québec.

REGIONS AT A GLANCE

	Year	Unit	Bas-Saint-Laurent 01
1 - Total area[1]	2008	km²	28,401
2 - Land area	2008	km²	22,185
3 - RCMs and equivalent territories (on December 31)[1][2]	2008	n	8
4 - Local municipalities (on December 31)[1][2]	2008	n	116
5 - Population[3]	**2007**	**n**	**201,642**
6 - Variation	2007/2002	%	0.7
7 - Share of Québec population	2007	%	2.6
8 - 0-14 years	2007	%	14.3
9 - 15-64 years	2007	%	68.5
10 - 65 years and over	2007	%	17.3
11 - Density (population/land area)	2007	inhab./km²	9.1
12 - Households[3]	**2006**	**n**	**85,740**
13 - 1 person	2006	%	30.3
14 - 2 people	2006	%	37.2
15 - 3 or more people	2006	%	32.5
16 - Average number of people per household	2006	n	2.3
17 - Average income	2000	$	41,483
18 - Housing[3]	**2006**	**n**	**85,745**
19 - Owned	2006	%	70.5
20 - Rented	2006	%	29.5
21 - Band	2006	%	0.0
22 - Monthly Last-Resort Financial Assistance[3][4][11]			
23 - Beneficiaries	2008	n	12,937
24 - Households	2008	n	9,456
25 - Total benefits paid	2008	k$	6,877.4
26 - Health and Social Services[3][12]			
27 - Physicians per 1,000 people	2007	n	2.25
28 - Real net expenditure per capita[13]	2007-2008	$	3,542
29 - Education (highest certificate, diploma or degree)[3][14]			
30 - Studies, certificate or diploma prior to college	2006	%	70.1
31 - Post-secondary certificate or diploma prior to university	2006	%	19.7
32 - University degree	2006	%	10.2
33 - Labour Market[3][15]			
34 - Labour force	2008	k	102.9
35 - Working	2008	k	93.9
36 - Unemployed	2008	k	9.0
37 - Unemployment rate	2008	%	8.7
38 - Employment rate	2008	%	56.1
39 - Participation rate	2008	%	61.4
40 - Income[16]			
41 - Per capita personal income	2007[r]	$	27,143
42 - Per capita employment income	2007[r]	$	18,517
43 - Per capita investment income	2007[r]	$	2,282
44 - Per capita government transfers	2007[r]	$	6,257
45 - Other sources of per capita income[17]	2007[r]	$	87
46 - Per capita disposable personal income[18]	2007[r]	$	20,669
47 - Capital Spending[3]	**2008**[p]	**M$**	**1,099.1**
48 - Construction	2008[p]	M$	743.4
49 - Machinery and equipment	2008[p]	M$	355.6

REGIONS AT A GLANCE

Saguenay Lac-Saint-Jean 02	Capitale-Nationale 03	Mauricie 04	Estrie 05	Montréal 06	
106,508	20,962	39,924	10,508	624	- 1
95,893	18,639	35,452	10,195	498	- 2
5	7	6	7	1	- 3
49	59	42	89	16	- 4
273,434	**675,450**	**261,149**	**303,730**	**1,871,846**	- 5
2.7	3.0	0.8	3.4	0.2	- 6
3.6	8.8	3.4	3.9	24.3	- 7
15.1	13.8	13.7	16.0	14.8	- 8
69.9	70.5	68.1	68.7	69.8	- 9
15.1	15.7	18.2	15.3	15.4	- 10
2.9	36.2	7.4	29.8	3,758.7	- 11
114,440	**296,150**	**116,330**	**129,670**	**831,555**	- 12
28.1	33.8	34.0	31.8	38.2	- 13
36.6	36.0	36.5	36.8	30.9	- 14
35.4	30.2	29.5	31.3	30.9	- 15
2.3	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.2	- 16
46,898	48,833	42,369	44,301	49,429	- 17
114,445	**296,145**	**116,330**	**129,670**	**831,555**	- 18
66.8	58.4	61.5	61.7	37.9	- 19
33.1	41.6	38.0	38.3	62.1	- 20
0.1	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	- 21
					- 22
17,118	31,964	22,611	20,454	174,892	- 23
12,522	24,554	16,342	14,320	110,681	- 24
8,749.6	17,092.1	11,283.3	10,196.7	77,595.0	- 25
					- 26
1.82	2.89	1.63[1]	2.46	2.98	- 27
3,125	3,837	2,899[1]	3,204	4,007	- 28
					- 29
68.9	57.1	68.4	66.5	52.9	- 30
					- 31
20.6	23.6	21.1	19.2	21.3	
10.5	19.3	10.5	14.3	25.8	- 32
					- 33
134.2	375.2	127.4	158.1	1,046.9	- 34
122.7	358.1	116.7	148.8	956.2	- 35
11.4	17.1	10.7	9.4	90.7	- 36
8.5	4.6	8.4	5.9	8.7	- 37
55.0	63.0	53.5	59.3	60.1	- 38
60.1	66.1	58.4	63.0	65.7	- 39
					- 40
29,697	34,449	29,003	29,683	33,678	- 41
21,631	25,528	19,976	20,333	22,834	- 42
1,985	3,683	2,791	3,754	5,506	- 43
5,995	5,131	6,146	5,484	5,240	- 44
87	107	91	112	298	- 45
22,429	25,629	22,119	22,682	25,646	- 46
2,281.9	**6,379.2**	**1,901.8**	**1,717.8**	**12,201.6**	- 47
1,657.4	3,678.4	1,288.8	1,150.2	6,576.3	- 48
624.5	2,700.8	613.0	567.5	5,625.3	- 49

REGIONS AT A GLANCE

	Year	Unit	Outaouais
			07
1 - Total area[1]	2008	km²	34,074
2 - Land area	2008	km²	30,504
3 - RCMs and equivalent territories (on December 31)[1][2]	2008	n	5
4 - Local municipalities (on December 31)[1]	2008	n	67
5 - Population[3]	**2007**	**n**	**349,377**
6 - Variation	2007/2002	%	6.5
7 - Share of Québec population	2007	%	4.5
8 - 0-14 years	2007	%	17.0
9 - 15-64 years	2007	%	71.6
10 - 65 years and over	2007	%	11.4
11 - Density (population/land area)	2007	inhab./km²	11.5
12 - Households[4]	**2006**	**n**	**140,500**
13 - 1 person	2006	%	27.2
14 - 2 people	2006	%	34.9
15 - 3 or more people	2006	%	37.9
16 - Average number of people per household	2006	n	2.4
17 - Average income	2000	$	54,728
18 - Housing[5]	**2006**	**n**	**140,495**
19 - Owned	2006	%	69.4
20 - Rented	2006	%	30.6
21 - Band	2006	%	0.0
22 - Monthly Last-Resort Financial Assistance[6][7][8]			
23 - Beneficiaries	2008	n	20,468
24 - Households	2008	n	13,826
25 - Total benefits paid	2008	k$	9,756.1
26 - Health and Social Services[9][10]			
27 - Physicians per 1,000 people	2007	n	1.48
28 - Real net expenditure per capita[11]	2007-2008	$	2,267
29 - Education (highest certificate, diploma or degree)[12]			
30 - Studies, certificate or diploma prior to college	2006	%	62.5
31 - Post-secondary certificate or diploma prior to university	2006	%	20.0
32 - University degree	2006	%	17.5
33 - Labour Market[13][14]			
34 - Labour force	2008	k	210.8
35 - Working	2008	k	199.4
36 - Unemployed	2008	k	11.4
37 - Unemployment rate	2008	%	5.4
38 - Employment rate	2008	%	67.6
39 - Participation rate	2008	%	71.5
40 - Income[15]			
41 - Per capita personal income	2007[p]	$	31,320
42 - Per capita employment income	2007[p]	$	24,664
43 - Per capita investment income	2007[p]	$	2,128
44 - Per capita government transfers	2007[p]	$	4,399
45 - Other sources of per capita income[16]	2007[p]	$	129
46 - Per capita disposable personal income[16]	2007[p]	$	22,953
47 - Capital Spending[17]	**2008**[p]	**M$**	**2,574.4**
48 - Construction	2008[p]	M$	1,954.2
49 - Machinery and equipment	2008[p]	M$	620.2

REGIONS AT A GLANCE

Abitibi-Témiscamingue 08	Côte-Nord 09	Nord-du-Québec 10	Gaspésie–Îles-de-la-Madeleine 11	Chaudière-Appalaches 12	
64,656	351,523	860,553	78,172	16,127	- 1
57,340	236,700	718,229	20,272	15,071	- 2
5	6	3	6	10	- 3
65	38	28	44	136	- 4
145,192	**95,668**	**40,913**	**95,461**	**399,563**	- 5
1.4	2.6	3.3	2.3	2.1	- 6
1.9	1.2	0.5	1.2	5.2	- 7
17.2	17.1	27.8	13.3	16.1	- 8
69.6	70.5	66.8	68.5	59.3	- 9
13.2	12.4	5.4	18.2	14.6	- 10
2.5	0.4	0.1	4.7	26.5	- 11
60,880	**39,365**	**11,930**	**39,335**	**161,025**	- 12
30.3	26.9	20.0	26.4	27.2	- 13
35.5	35.2	25.1	37.3	36.1	- 14
34.3	37.9	54.9	36.2	36.7	- 15
2.3	2.4	3.3	2.3	2.4	- 16
45,625	51,164	54,927	40,910	46,522	- 17
60,880	**39,360**	**11,930**	**39,330**	**161,020**	- 18
65.9	70.9	41.3	75.5	73.5	- 19
33.6	27.1	45.3	24.5	26.5	- 20
0.5	2.0	13.4	0.0	0.0	- 21
					- 22
8,471	4,612	1,939	8,348	15,316	- 23
6,145	3,328	1,078	5,737	11,509	- 24
4,282.9	2,320.2	719.0	4,251.9	8,163.4	- 25
					- 26
2.24	2.39	3.39	2.89	1.62	- 27
3,463	3,860	7,892	4,269	2,546	- 28
					- 29
74.3	74.3	79.3	75.2	68.4	- 30
					- 31
16.9	17.9	14.6	17.3	20.8	
8.8	7.8	6.0	7.5	10.8	
					- 32
					- 33
73.9	54.7[1]	..[1]	44.0	217.6	- 34
68.3	48.5[1]	..[1]	36.4	206.8	- 35
5.6	6.1[1]	..[1]	7.6	10.9	- 36
7.6	11.2[1]	..[1]	17.3	5.0	- 37
59.0	54.5[1]	..[1]	45.0	62.7	- 38
63.8	61.5[1]	..[1]	54.5	66.0	- 39
					- 40
31,114	33,762	29,213	25,694	31,095	- 41
22,723	25,697	18,748	15,916	22,497	- 42
2,276	1,565	941	1,548	3,440	- 43
6,127	6,412	9,439	8,145	5,069	- 44
89	87	85	86	88	- 45
23,610	25,379	24,563	20,175	23,589	- 46
1,394.6	**1,056.2**	**3,489.5**	**606.3**	**2,676.9**	- 47
877.4	704.6	2,897.1	331.9	1,641.3	- 48
517.2	351.6	592.4	274.4	1,035.6	- 49

REGIONS AT A GLANCE

	Year	Unit	Laval
			13
1 - Total area [1]	2008	km²	267
2 - Land area	2008	km²	246
3 - RCMs and equivalent territories (on December 31) [2]	2008	n	1
4 - Local municipalities (on December 31) [2]	2008	n	1
5 - Population [3]	**2007**	**n**	**381,651**
6 - Variation	2007/2002	%	7.2
7 - Share of Québec population	2007	%	5.0
8 - 0-14 years	2007	%	17.4
9 - 15-64 years	2007	%	68.3
10 - 65 years and over	2007	%	14.3
11 - Density (population/land area)	2007	inhab./km²	1,551.4
12 - Households [4]	**2006**	**n**	**144,205**
13 - 1 person	2006	%	25.3
14 - 2 people	2006	%	33.0
15 - 3 or more people	2006	%	41.6
16 - Average number of people per household	2006	n	2.5
17 - Average income	2000	$	57,716
18 - Housing [4]	**2006**	**n**	**144,200**
19 - Owned	2006	%	68.9
20 - Rented	2006	%	31.1
21 - Band	2006	%	0.0
22 - Monthly Last-Resort Financial Assistance [5] [11]			
23 - Beneficiaries	2008	n	14,756
24 - Households	2008	n	9,628
25 - Total benefits paid	2008	k$	6,848.0
26 - Health and Social Services [6] [11]			
27 - Physicians per 1,000 people	2007	n	1.43
28 - Real net expenditure per capita [11]	2007-2008	$	2,081
29 - Education (highest certificate, diploma or degree) [7] [8]			
30 - Studies, certificate or diploma prior to college	2006	%	60.6
31 - Post-secondary certificate or diploma prior to university	2006	%	23.1
32 - University degree	2006	%	16.3
33 - Labour Market [9] [10]			
34 - Labour force	2008	k	217.8
35 - Working	2008	k	203.3
36 - Unemployed	2008	k	14.5
37 - Unemployment rate	2008	%	6.7
38 - Employment rate	2008	%	64.8
39 - Participation rate	2008	%	69.4
40 - Income [10]			
41 - Per capita personal income	2007	$	33,935
42 - Per capita employment income	2007	$	25,280
43 - Per capita investment income	2007	$	3,767
44 - Per capita government transfers	2007	$	4,667
45 - Other sources of per capita income [12]	2007	$	220
46 - Per capita disposable personal income [13]	2007	$	25,239
47 - Capital Spending [5]	2008	M$	3,334.7
48 - Construction	2008	M$	2,206.3
49 - Machinery and equipment	2008	M$	1,128.5

REGIONS AT A GLANCE

Lanaudière	Laurentides	Montérégie	Centre-du-Québec	Québec Province	
14	15	16	17		
13,512	22,517	11,851	7,262	1,667,441	- 1
12,313	20,560	11,111	6,921	1,312,129	- 2
6	8	15	5	104	- 3
59	76	177	81	1,138	- 4
445,188	**528,318**	**1,403,360**	**228,865**	**7,700,807**	- 5
10.6	9.5	5.8	2.5	3.4	- 6
5.8	6.9	18.2	3.0	100.0	- 7
17.5	17.6	17.2	16.5	16.0	- 8
70.3	69.9	69.8	68.3	69.7	- 9
12.2	12.5	13.1	15.1	14.4	- 10
36.2	25.7	126.3	33.1	5.9	- 11
169,695	**206,815**	**547,705**	**93,975**	**3,189,340**	- 12
23.7	25.5	26.0	30.0	30.7	- 13
35.9	36.0	35.3	36.1	34.4	- 14
40.3	38.5	38.7	34.0	34.8	- 15
2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.3	- 16
51,024	52,391	55,458	43,501	49,998	- 17
169,705	**206,800**	**547,700**	**93,970**	**3,189,345**	- 18
76.0	73.2	69.3	67.4	60.1	- 19
23.9	26.8	30.7	32.6	39.8	- 20
0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	- 21
					- 22
22,045	24,486	64,542	14,420	488,076	- 23
15,091	17,538	44,537	10,153	335,072	- 24
10,464.5	12,126.2	31,367.5	7,042.2	234,305.2	- 25
					- 26
1.40	1.36	1.48	[illegible]	2.11	- 27
2.188	2.045	2.080	[illegible]	3.029	- 28
					- 29
71.6	67.5	63.8	71.6	62.6	- 30
					- 31
19.1	20.3	21.4	19.6	20.9	
9.3	12.2	14.8	8.7	16.5	- 32
					- 33
237.4	290.0	768.6	125.2	4,184.9	- 34
220.3	269.0	717.9	115.5	3,881.7	- 35
17.2	21.1	50.8	9.8	303.3	- 36
7.2	7.3	6.6	7.8	7.2	- 37
60.6	61.8	62.8	61.9	60.9	- 38
65.3	66.6	67.3	67.1	65.7	- 39
					- 40
31,357	33,154	33,991	29,251	32,474	- 41
23,401	24,317	25,240	20,012	23,272	- 42
2,899	3,878	3,918	3,592	3,837	- 43
4,956	4,851	4,701	5,561	5,205	- 44
101	107	132	95	160	- 45
23,441	24,724	25,263	22,640	24,455	- 46
2,826.8	**4,347.0**	**11,087.2**	**1,406.5**	**60,381.5**	- 47
2,224.4	3,371.6	6,749.7	813.8	38,866.8	- 48
602.5	975.4	4,337.5	592.7	21,514.7	- 49

SOURCES AND NOTES

1. Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune, Direction des politiques et de l'intégrité du territoire and Direction de la cartographie générale et administrative.
2. Excluding Labrador, according to the 1927 layout (not final). Furthermore, this area is based on a compilation of data on Québec's borders at a 1/20,000 scale, an MTM (modified transverse Mercator) map projection calculation and the NAD83 geodesic reference system.
3. Including the St. Lawrence River from the east point of Île d'Orléans, the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the border established in 1964 with the Atlantic provinces, and the mouths of James, Hudson and Ungava bays and of Hudson Strait.
4. Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et des Parcs, Centre d'expertise hydrique du Québec. The areas in this column do not take provincial and international borders into account. Moreover, the data shown corresponds to the area in square kilometres of everything preceding (upstream of) the site indicated. The area of the St. Lawrence drainage basin extending to Cornwall, Ontario is 780,530 square kilometres.
5. Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune, *Ressources et industries forestières. Portrait statistique, édition 2008* and the *2009 edition* (forthcoming).
6. The area includes the inland waters, but excludes the St. Lawrence River below the eastern tip of Île d'Orléans.
7. The forest tundra and the taiga form the sub-arctic forest.
8. Environment Canada, *Canadian Climate Normals or Averages, 1971-2000*.
9. Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et des Parcs, Québec Register of Protected Areas, March 2009.
10. Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et des Parcs, Service de la qualité de l'atmosphère.
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12. Statistics Canada, *Population Estimates* on July 1st.
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14. External causes are, for example, vehicular accidents, drowning accidents and suicides.
15. Statistics Canada, *Population Census*.

16. Legally a person living common-law may be single (never legally married), separated, divorced or widowed. Since 2001, persons living common-law include same-sex persons. Since 2006, legally married persons include same-sex persons.
17. Ministère de l'Immigration et des Communautés culturelles.
18. The "Economic class" category notably includes skilled workers and business people. The "Other immigrants" category includes members of post-determination refugee claimants and humanitarian cases.
19. The Québec part of the Ottawa-Gatineau Census Metropolitan Area.
20. Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Estimations de la population des municipalités* on July 1st, based on geographic boundaries on January 1st, 2008.
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22. Statistics Canada, *General Social Survey*.
23. Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*. Processing: Institut de la statistique du Québec. The women living in families surveyed were between 25 and 54. Also see Note 49.
24. Ministère de la Famille et des Aînés. *Situation des centres de la petite enfance et des garderies au Québec. Analyse des rapports d'activités, 2000-2001, 2005-2006* (forthcoming) and *2006-2007* (forthcoming), submitted by childcare services. The data are on children who attended day care in March of each year (e.g.: March 2007 for the year 2006-2007).
25. The "Single Attached House" category is primarily comprised of semi-detached houses and row houses. The "Apartment" category includes duplexes (stacked housing) and housing located in a multi-level building.
26. Ministère de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité sociale, *Rapport statistique sur les prestataires des programmes de base de sécurité du revenu, mars 2008*. Benefits paid out in March of each year under the last-resort financial assistance programs (Social Assistance Program and Social Solidarity Program).
27. Statistics Canada, *Canadian Community Health Survey*, 2000-2001, 2005 and 2007 (Cycles 1.1, 3.1 and 4.1), data sharing files. It should be noted that the estimates for 2007 are based on mid-survey data, the CCHS (Cycle 4.1) continuing until the end of 2008. *Participation and Activity Limitation Survey*, 2001 and 2006. Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Québec Survey of Tobacco, Alcohol, Drug use and Gambling in High School*

Students, 2000 and 2006. The findings of this survey for 2008 will be disseminated on the ISQ website in the fall of 2009. Any comparison between the data of 2000-2001, 2005, and 2007 must be made with caution.

28. Includes those who consider their health status to be good, very good or excellent.
29. Overweight is defined as a body mass index (kg/m^2) of 25.0 and over. The populations in the Cree and Inuit regions (health regions 17 and 18) are excluded from this aspect of the study.
30. Health professional means general practitioner, medical specialist, nurse, eye specialist, dentist or orthodontist, chiropractor, physiotherapist, social worker or counsellor, psychologist, speech therapist, audiologist, or occupational therapist.
31. Persons who reported experiencing difficulty carrying out activities of daily living, or whose physical or mental state or health problem reduces the number or types of activities they can do.
32. Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux, Service du développement de l'information.
33. Set-up beds are those that are staffed and ready to be used.
34. Regarding people who have found accommodation through the subsidized public and private establishment networks that have a permit from the Ministère.
35. Statistics Canada, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, *Police Administration Survey*.
36. Commission de la santé et de la sécurité du travail du Québec, Direction de l'indemnisation des victimes d'actes criminels. *Rapport annuel d'activité 2001*, *Rapport annuel de gestion 2006* et *2007*.
37. Commission des services juridiques, *29e Rapport annuel*, *35e* et *36e Rapport annuel de gestion*.
38. Fonds d'aide aux recours collectifs, *Rapport annuel 2006-2007*.
39. Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport, *Statistiques de l'éducation. Enseignement primaire, secondaire, collégial et universitaire. Indicateurs de l'éducation*.
40. Excluding adult education centres.
41. Including nursery schools and kindergarten.
42. Including continuing education; updated data, department data warehouse (on November 18, 2008).
43. College and university graduates have been tallied by calendar year (2000, 2005 and 2006).
44. Excluding lecturers and teaching assistants.
45. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Observatoire de la culture et des communications du Québec, Ministère de la Culture, des Communications et de la Condition féminine.

46. Including museums, interpretation sites and exhibition centres.
47. Supported by the Ministère de la Culture, des Communications et de la Condition féminine.
48. Number of units sold, excluding music videos. Data provided by Nielsen SoundScan Inc., and compiled by the Observatoire de la culture et des communications du Québec.
49. Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*. Population aged 15 and over, with the exception of persons living on Indian reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and inmates of institutions.
50. Including unpaid family workers.
51. Including trade diplomas.
52. Statistics Canada, CANSIM II. Ordinary benefits as well as all other types of benefits are taken into account.
53. Statistics Canada, special compilation by the Ministère du Travail, based on the *Labour Force Historical Review*, 2007, Cat. No. 71F0004XCB, excluding the agricultural industry.
54. Ministère du Travail, Direction de l'information sur le travail.
55. The reference group is composed of the bargaining units whose collective agreements govern 100 and over blue-collar employees (e.g. workers) or 50 and over white-collar workers (e.g. office employees).
56. Several Québec government collective agreements are not included in this data.
57. Statistics Canada, *Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics*. Individuals earning an income are those who declare earnings or another source of income.
58. Commission des normes du travail. Minimum wage on February 1st for 2001 and on May 1st for 2006 and 2007.
59. Families whose children are under 25 years of age.
60. Based on the Low Income Measure (LIM) after taxes, which corresponds to 50% of the average income after taxes and adjusted according to the family size.
61. Statistics Canada, *Population Census*. Data provided in constant year 2005 dollars.
62. Statistics Canada, CANSIM and *Spending Patterns in Canada*. The data for 1997 to 2005 have been revised.
63. Dividing the sum of non-mortgage loans to individuals by their disposable personal income, and then multiplying this result by 100 will give you the rate of consumer indebtedness.
64. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et du développement durable.
65. Statistics Canada, CANSIM.

66. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec, Commission de protection du territoire agricole, and Statistics Canada.
67. Fisheries and Oceans Canada.
68. Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec.
69. Territory where forests are managed on a time horizon of 120 years, within the sustained yield principle.
70. Including all land in which human activity caused a need other than forestry: roads, right-of-way energy transport lines, etc.
71. In an accessible, productive forest (slope less than 41%).
72. Institut de la statistique du Québec, *Recensement annuel des mines, des carrières et des sablières*.
73. Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune du Québec.
74. Including municipalities.
75. Available electricity in accordance with a long-term contract signed by Hydro-Québec with Churchill Falls (Labrador) Corporation Limited.
76. Does not include the electricity consumed in power plants, nor the losses on transportation and distribution networks.
77. In 2005 and 2006, aviation fuel was excluded from the balance.
78. Commission de la construction du Québec, Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, and Statistics Canada.
79. Statistics Canada, *Annual Survey of Manufactures and Logging*.
80. Survey redesigned using the 2004 reference year; previous data not comparable.
81. Commission des transports du Québec, Ministère des Transports du Québec, Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec, Société des traversiers du Québec and Statistics Canada.
82. Maintained by the Ministère des Transports du Québec.
83. Vehicles used by urban, suburban and paratransit public transit agencies.
84. Public and paratransit services.
85. For-hire motor carriers whereby the revenue is greater than two million dollars.
86. Operated by the Société des traversiers du Québec or in collaboration with a private company.
87. Statistics Canada, *Travel Survey of Residents of Canada* (TSRC) and *International Travel Survey* (ITS). The TSRC, which replaces the *Canadian Travel Survey* (CTS), was set up in 2005. Consequently, the data presented for the years 2006 and 2007 are not comparable with the data of the 2004 CTS and of previous years.

88. Visitors include both tourists and day-trippers. A tourist is a person who took an out-of-town trip of one night or more, but for a duration of under one year and who used commercial or private accommodation. A day-tripper is a person who took an out-of-town same-day trip to a destination of at least 40 km from home.

89. Including expenditures incurred in Québec by visitors, expenses incurred in Québec by Quebecers for trips outside Québec and the share of costs paid to Canadian carriers by Canadians from other provinces, which is attributed to Québec.

90. Statistics Canada, *Gross Domestic Expenditures on Research and Development in Canada (GERD), and the Provinces* (88221XWE), several editions; *Total spending on research and development in Canada and provinces*, Service Bulletin "Science Statistics" (88001XWE); *Provincial Economic Accounts*, November 2008.

91. R&D work expenses incurred in Québec only.

92. Statistics Canada, International Trade Division. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et du développement durable.

93. Ministère du Développement économique, de l'Innovation et de l'Exportation (MDEIE). Cooperatives that have handed in their annual report to the MDEIE during the year.

94. Autorité des marchés financiers.

95. Designating trust companies and savings or mortgage loan corporations not affiliated with chartered banks.

96. Trust and mortgage loan companies for which these data are confidential are excluded.

97. The Bank of Canada bank rate in effect the last Wednesday of the month.

98. This includes life insurance, accidents, illness and annuity premiums.

99. Fires, accidents and various risks.

100. Statistics Canada, *Capital Expenditure Survey*. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et du développement durable.

101. Bank of Canada.

102. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Institut de la statistique du Québec, International Monetary Fund, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Statistics Canada, United Nations, U.S. Census Bureau, World Bank.

103. Statistics Canada, Industry Accounts Division. The gross domestic product (GDP) at basic prices is determined using a value-added approach and expressed in 2002 chained dollars.

104. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et du développement durable. Statistics Canada, Income and Expenditure Accounts Division.

105. Percentage of personal disposable income.

106. Ministère des Finances du Québec. Contrary to previous years, the data for 2006-2007 take into account the government accounting reform. The 2006-2007 reform introduced, among other things, the consolidation of the health and social services, and education networks. The results given in the budget plan and the public accounts may differ as a result of this consolidation.

107. Statistics Canada, *Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours*. The population does not include the agriculture, fishing and trapping sectors, domestic services to private households, religious organizations and the military personnel of the defence services.

108. Including overtime.

109. Including 86 legal regional county municipalities (RCM) and 18 equivalent territories.

110. Excluding the Amerindian and the unorganized territories.

111. In March 2008, it was not possible to break the following down by region: 8,697 sheltered beneficiaries and 8,627 sheltered households (generally single persons admitted to reception, hospital or rehabilitation centres) or under public curatorship, which represents 5,169,000 dollars in total monthly benefits paid. For this reason, the data for the sum of the regions differs from those of the whole of Québec.

112. The Centre-du-Québec region is included in the Mauricie.

113. Expenditure is based on the region of treatment. Includes the grants to community organizations, expenditures for the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec programs, those for the regional agencies and the net expenditures for the establishment network.

114. Statistics Canada, *Population Census*. Persons aged 15 and over. The category "Studies, certificate or diploma prior to college" includes individuals who do not have a diploma or who have not yet finished their secondary studies. The highest certificate, diploma or degree obtained is based on a hierarchy generally related to the duration of programs of study, but that may include exceptions.

115. The Nord-du-Québec region is included in the Côte-Nord.

116. Institut de la statistique du Québec, Direction des statistiques économiques et du développement durable. Statistics Canada.

117. Refers to current transfers from corporations to persons (charitable donations and other contributions) and current transfers from non-residents to persons (pensions paid by foreign residences to Canadian residents plus remittances by non-residents to Canadian residents).

118. Refers to personal income less direct taxes on persons, contributions to social insurance plans and other current transfers paid by persons to governments, such as drug insurance premiums, licences and permits.

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